

**IVI Specialty Vehicle Program Partnership: Informational Meeting**  
**Washington, DC (at TRB Annual Meeting)**  
**January 13, 1999**  
**8:00 – 9:15 a.m.**

**Agenda Items:**

- 8:00-8:30 Informational on the IVI SV Research Partnership
- 8:30-8:50 Questions
- 8:50-9:20 Discussion of Research Directions

**Chronology of Event**

1. Prepared Intro by Monica Kress (Partnership Chairperson)

*“I designed the agenda to include information on the IVI SV Program Partnership – I don’t intend to actually go until 9:15, though you ought to feel free to ask questions or provide comments after or during this presentation.”*

*(Briefly outlined the agenda)*

*“As I outlined in the original announcement of this meeting, this first segment is for your information, for clarification of what opportunities exist for you, and hopefully to encourage you to consider if your organization would participate in the program, either through partnership or proposing research.*

*So, let me begin with some background on IVI SV in general, then I’ll move on to the foundation of the Program Partnership.”*

2. Slide Presentation

(Distributed handouts: Partnership WorkPlan, Flyer, Steering Group Recommendations)

**IVI Specialty Vehicle Program Partnership**

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**TEA - 21 and IVI**

**☉Intelligent Vehicle Initiative**

- *Specialty Vehicles*
  - *Highway Maintenance and Construction*
  - *Law Enforcement*
  - *Emergency Medical*
  - *Fire Response*

### **Specialty Vehicle Distinctions**

Operate in conjunction with central control centers  
Operate in adverse/extreme conditions  
Are higher cost when fully equipped  
Not unusual to include more new and emerging technologies  
Have highly trained operators  
Operators operate under stress

### **Specialty Vehicle Platform Research**

#### **Benefit to Public Safety**

*Emergency Fire, Medical, and Law Response Vehicles*

#### **❁IVI products can assist in avoiding hazards in their extreme environment:**

Travel at high speeds through dense city traffic  
Travel at low speeds in fast highway traffic  
Rural weather, visibility, and road conditions

### **Specialty Vehicle Platform Research**

#### **Benefit to Public Safety**

*Highway Maintenance Vehicles*

Collision Warning systems  
Reduction of cars striking winter maintenance vehicles from rear  
Enhance safety for public during heavy snowfalls, particularly in rural areas  
Lane striping: accurate positioning of vehicle can increase safety and speed  
Reduced op costs due to fewer accidents and more efficiency

### **Specialty Vehicle Platform Research**

#### **FHWA Steering Group 6/9/98**

A mechanism to facilitate stakeholder involvement (this Partnership)  
Develop understanding of the special operating environment and identify performance requirements  
Extend IVI technologies to support safer ops  
Demonstrate benefits to identifies stakeholders  
Educate market regarding enhanced capabilities  
Achieve proof-of-concept for high priority user services within three years

### **FHWA SV Steering Group Recommendations**

#### **Activities**

❁Assess the problem  
❁Assess user needs  
❁Provide solutions  
❁Assess the human-machine interface  
❁Conduct cost/benefit analyses

### **FHWA SV Steering Group Recommendations**

#### **Related User Services**

❁Collision Warning  
❁Rear Impact Warning and Avoidance  
❁Intersection Collision Warning and Avoidance  
❁Lane Change / Merge Collision Warning and Avoidance  
❁Obstacle Warning and Avoidance  
❁Pedestrian Warning and Avoidance  
❁Road Departure Warning and Avoidance  
❁Heavy Vehicle Stability Warning and Avoidance  
❁Railroad Crossing Warning and Avoidance  
❁vision Enhancement  
❁Driver Condition Monitoring  
❁Road Condition Monitoring  
❁Lane Position Indication  
❁Driver Assistance in Task Performance - Steering  
❁Driver Assistance in Task Performance - Throttle and Brake

## **FHWA SV Steering Group Recommendations**

### **High Priority User Services**

#### **➤Highway Maintenance Vehicles**

Forward Collision Warning and Avoidance  
Obstacle Warning and Avoidance  
Lane Position Indication  
Road Departure Warning and Avoidance  
Rear Impact Warning and Avoidance  
Vision Enhancement

#### **➤Law Enforcement / Emergency Medical Response / Fire Response Vehicles**

Intersection Collision Warning and Avoidance  
Forward Collision Warning and Avoidance  
Heavy Vehicle Stabilization (for Fire Trucks)  
Vision Enhancement  
Lane Change / Merge Collision Warning and Avoidance

### **IVI Specialty Vehicle Program Partnership**

- ⦿Founded 10/98
- ⦿Pooled Funds
- ⦿Projects TBD
- ⦿Partners Provide Stakeholder Needs
- ⦿Partners Provide Technical Advice
- ⦿Partners Guide Project Selection
- ⦿Ongoing Membership

### **IVI Specialty Vehicle Program Partnership**

#### **Membership**

- ⦿Ongoing recruitment
- ⦿Public or Private Sector
- ⦿Pooled Fund mechanism
- ⦿Legal agreements as necessary
- ⦿Semi-annual meeting
- ⦿Frequent “Virtual Meetings”

### **IVI Specialty Vehicle Program Partnership**

#### **Funding Projects**

- ⦿Periodic solicitation for proposals
- ⦿Criteria set by partners
- ⦿Analysis of problem/market OR Technical field testing of equipment
- ⦿Cost Sharing by researcher
- ⦿Contribution to projects sponsored by others

### **IVI Specialty Vehicle Program Partnership**

#### **Structure / Participants**

##### **⦿Program Management**

- Role: Manage this IVI Specialty Vehicle Program.

##### **⦿Steering Board**

- Role: Provide logistical, managerial, and administrative recommendations for project identification and selection.

##### **⦿Technical Advisory Committee**

- Role: Provide technical analysis of study proposals and recommendations for technical content of studies.

### **IVI Specialty Vehicle Program Partnership**

#### **Project Characteristics**

##### **⦿ASAP activities**

- results affect subsequent efforts and, as such, should begin as soon as possible.

##### **⦿Near Term projects**

- apply research and demonstrate equipment within three years.

### ☛ Long Term projects

- allowed more time for technology development or strategizing and deliver results within six years.

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### 3. Discussion

Ken Kobetski: Contact him for information on getting on agendas for presentations to AASHTO committees. It was general consensus that this widespread contact was needed.

Vicki Neale and Mike Robinson from Virginia Tech briefly presented the schedule and status of their IVI Study on needs assessment and human factors.

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